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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated August 23, 2005, in which pending claims 37-65 and 67-77 were subjected to restriction, Applicants provisionally elect to prosecute Group I (*i.e.*, claims 37, 41, 48, 52, 53, 54, 56, 57, 58, 59, 76, and 77) as identified by the Examiner. As is set forth in detail below, this election is made with traverse.

Applicants wish to thank Examiner Winkler for taking the time to discuss with the Applicants' representative the Restriction Requirement on September 19, 2005.

Reconsideration of the requirement for restriction imposed in this case is respectfully requested in view of the following:

**Remarks** that begin on page 2 of this paper.